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In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a 5'-untranslated region, a start codon region, a coding region, a stop codon region, or a 3'-untranslated region of a nucleic acid molecule encoding human Damage-specific DNA binding protein 1, p127, (SEQ ID NO:3) wherein said compound ~~specifically hybridizes with and~~ inhibits the expression of human Damage-specific DNA binding protein 1, p127 by at least 60%.
2. (original) The compound of claim 1 which is an antisense oligonucleotide.
3. (cancelled).
4. (original) The compound of claim 2 wherein the antisense oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified internucleoside linkage.
5. (original) The compound of claim 4 wherein the modified internucleoside linkage is a phosphorothioate linkage.
6. (original) The compound of claim 2 wherein the antisense oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified sugar moiety.
7. (original) The compound of claim 6 wherein the modified sugar moiety is a 2'-O-methoxyethyl sugar moiety.
8. (original) The compound of claim 2 wherein the antisense oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified nucleobase.

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9. (original) The compound of claim 8 wherein the modified nucleobase is a 5-methylcytosine.
10. (original) The compound of claim 2 wherein the antisense oligonucleotide is a chimeric oligonucleotide.
11. (cancelled).
12. (original) A composition comprising the compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.
13. (original) The composition of claim 12 further comprising a colloidal dispersion system.
14. (original) The composition of claim 12 wherein the compound is an antisense oligonucleotide.
15. (previously presented) A method of inhibiting the expression of Damage-specific DNA binding protein 1, p127 in cells or tissues comprising contacting said cells or tissues *in vitro* with the compound of claim 1 so that expression of Damage-specific DNA binding protein 1, p127 is inhibited.
- 16-20. (cancelled).